



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

149 YEARS OF REACHING ✘ PREACHING ✘ TEACHING

December 5 & 6, 2020

Second Sunday in Advent

We welcome all who have come to praise God
and remember the Lord Jesus Christ.

Your presence brings us joy.
May God bless us all richly.



MATINS

LSB 219

OPENING HYMN #347 "Comfort, Comfort Ye My People" (Stand for last verse)



1 "Com - fort, com - fort ye My peo - ple, Speak ye peace," thus
2 Yea, her sins our God will par - don, Blot - ting out each
3 Hark, the her - ald's voice is cry - ing In the des - ert
4 Make ye straight what long was crook - ed; Make the rough - er



saith our God; "Com - fort those who sit in dark - ness, Mourn - ing
dark mis - deed; All that well de - served His an - ger He no
far and near, Call - ing sin - ners to re - pen - tance, Since the
plac - es plain. Let your hearts be true and hum - ble, As be -



'neath their sor - rows' load. Speak ye to Je - ru - sa - lem
more will see or heed. She hath suf - fered man - y a day,
King - dom now is here. O that warn - ing cry o - bey!
fits His ho - ly reign. For the glo - ry of the Lord



Of the peace that waits for them; Tell her that her
Now her griefs have passed a - way; God will change her
Now pre - pare for God a way; Let the val - leys
Now o'er earth is shed a - broad, And all flesh shall



sins I cov - er And her war - fare now is o - ver."
pin - ing sad - ness In - to ev - er - spring - ing glad - ness.
rise to meet Him And the hills bow down to greet Him.
see the to - ken That His Word is nev - er bro - ken.

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

G Amen.

COMMON VERSICLES



L O Lord, o - pen my lips,



G and my mouth will de - clare Your praise.



L Make haste, O God, to de - liv - er me;



G make haste to help me, O Lord.



G Glo-ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it;



as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will be for-ev-er. A - men.



Praise to You, O Christ, King who comes to save us.

+ PSALMODY +



L Behold, the Lord comes to save us.



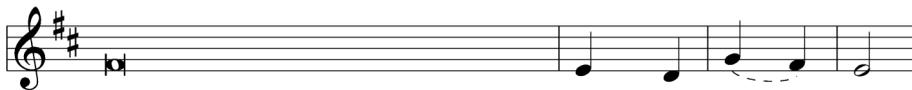
G O come, let us wor - ship Him.

VENITE



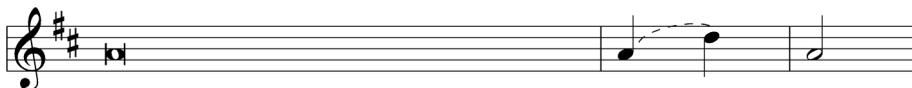
- C** 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord,
2 For the Lord is a great God
3 The sea is His, for He made it,

5 Glory be to the Father and to the Son

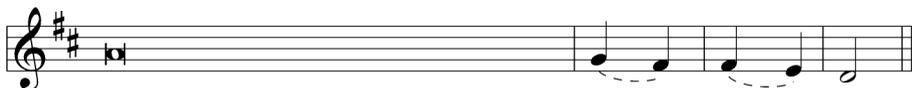


- 1 let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion.
2 and a great king a - bove all gods.
3 and His hand formed the dry land.

5 and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;



- 1 Let us come into His presence with thanks - giv - ing,
2 The deep places of the earth are in His hand;
3 O come, let us worship and bow down,
4 For He is our God,
5 as it was in the be - - gin - ning,



- 1 let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.
2 the strength of the hills is His al - so.
3 let us kneel before the Lord, our mak - er.
4 and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.
5 is now, and will be for - - ev - er. A - men.



- L** Behold, the Lord comes to save us.



- C** O come, let us wor - ship Him.

PSALM

Psalm 85

- P** LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
C **You forgave the iniquity of your people; you covered all their sin.**
P You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.
C **Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us!**
P Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations?

C Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?

P Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

C Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly.

P Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

C Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

P Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

C Yes, the LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

P Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

C Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Sit

+ READINGS +

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 40:1-11

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries: "In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

A voice says, "Cry!" And I said, "What shall I cry?" All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades when the breath of the LORD blows on it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 1:1-8

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, "Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way, the voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight,'"

John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed

with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

RESPNSORY



- L** 1 Behold, the days
are coming, says the Lord, when I will raise
up for David a righ-teous Branch.
- 2 In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will
dwell se - cure - ly.
- 3 Glory be to the
Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spir - it.



C This is the name
by which He will be called: The Lord Is Our Righ-teous-ness.

Sit

HYMN OF THE DAY #344 "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"



- 1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry An - nounc - es
2 Then cleansed be ev - 'ry life from sin; Make straight the
3 We hail Thee as our Sav - ior, Lord, Our ref - uge
4 Lay on the sick Thy heal - ing hand And make the
△ 5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to Thee Whose ad - vent



that the Lord is nigh; A - wake and hear - ken,
way for God with - in, And let us all our
and our great re - ward; With - out Thy grace we
fall - en strong to stand; Show us the glo - ry
sets Thy peo - ple free, Whom with the Fa - ther



for he brings Glad tid - ings of the King of kings!
hearts pre - pare For Christ to come and en - ter there.
waste a - way Like flow'rs that with - er and de - cay.
of Thy face Till beau - ty springs in ev - 'ry place.
we a - dore And Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er - more.

SERMON

Stand

Apostles' Creed

C I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life † everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

Please place your offering in the plate at the back of the sanctuary before or after the service. You can also give online by visiting our website and selecting "Give".

+ PRAYER +

KYRIE



C Lord, have mer-cy; Christ, have mer-cy; Lord, have mer-cy.

LORD'S PRAYER

C Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

COLLECTS

P The Lord be with you.

C And with your spirit.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

COLLECT OF THE DAY

P Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

COLLECT FOR PEACE (*Saturday Evening*)

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

C Amen.

COLLECT FOR GRACE *(Sunday Morning)*

P O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, You have safely brought us to the beginning of this day. Defend us in the same with Your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by Your governance, may be righteous in Your sight; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord.

G Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

G Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P The grace of our Lord ✠ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

G Amen.

Sit

Closing Hymn #345 "Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding"



1 Hark! A thrill - ing voice is sound - ing! "Christ is
2 Star - tled at the sol - emn warn - ing, Let the
3 See, the Lamb, so long ex - pect - ed, Comes with
4 So, when next He comes in glo - ry And the
△ 5 Hon - or, glo - ry, might, do - min - ion To the



near," we hear it say. "Cast a - way the
earth - bound soul a - rise; Christ, its sun, all
par - don down from heav'n. Let us haste, with
world is wrapped in fear, He will shield us
Fa - ther and the Son With the ev - er -



works of dark - ness, All you chil - dren of the day!"
sloth dis - pel - ling, Shines up - on the morn - ing skies.
tears of sor - row, One and all, to be for - giv'n;
with His mer - cy And with words of love draw near.
liv - ing Spir - it While e - ter - nal a - ges run!

Please remain seated after the service until you are dismissed by an elder or usher.

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Serving Our Lord	5:30pm	8:00 am	10:30 am
ELDERS	Steve Drescher	Rick Castel	Jason Rolnicki
USHERS	Norm Fossmeyer	Ken Racine	Tom Rolnicki

WEEKEND SERVICES Saturdays at 5:30 pm and on Sundays at 8:00 and 10:30 am. Sunday services will still be live-streamed at 10:30 am. Go to TrinityHuntley.org to find link to watch.

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY Sundays at 9:15 am.

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Offerings Given October 2020

Operating/General \$24,367.77

Joyful Living \$ 7,450.00

November Budgeted Expenses

\$34,068.03*

**Income needs to match or exceed this amount, or there will be a shortfall for the month of November.*

PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER

Prayers for Health and Healing

Irene Hunter

Greg Jensen

Marilee Payne

Prayers of Comfort

For Neil Frederick (Pam Frederick's father-in-law) who was placed in hospice this past week.

Prayers of Thanksgiving (Birthdays)

12/6 Shelly Goers

12/6 Mary Jo Simonsen

12/10 Tara Nelson

12/11 Carol Jaroch

12/11 Wayne Simons

Prayers of Thanksgiving (Anniversaries)

12/9 Norm & Kristine Fossmeyer

Trinity's prayer chain is always available to pray for you and those you know and love. Jesus hears our petitions and He will answer according to His good and perfect will. With thanksgiving, we make our requests to Him. Call or email the church office. Prayer requests will appear in the weekly bulletin for one month and will continue on the prayer chain for those with ongoing chronic conditions.

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Norm and Krissy Fossmeyer's 20th wedding anniversary.



Weekly Announcements - December 5 & 6, 2020

DECEMBER 6 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING AT 11:15 AM At this meeting Trinity members will vote on the proposed 1/1/21-6/30/21 budget for the remainder of the fiscal year and the Board of Ministry Directors election. The three nominated candidates are Keith Bereolos, Chuck Heiss and Keith Nelson.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES - 3:00, 7:00 and 10:00 pm.

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE - 10:00 am.

There will be only 55 slots available per service. Please sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040F4CA5AF23A6FD0-christmas>. You can also call or email the church office to sign up.

EACH ONE REACH ONE! Would you like to send cards this season to your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ? Call the church office or see Lana after worship if you would like details, cards, and postage! You can also contact Lana at 815-575-3094 or lanagibbonsmusic@gmail.com. Let's reach out and share the **GOOD NEWS** of Jesus' birth!

ADVENT MIDWEEK SERVICES will be online via Zoom at 7:30 pm on Wednesday evenings. There will be a worship bulletin for this service available for you to pick-up as you enter or exit the sanctuary today. For more information and the Zoom link, see the Weekly News email or contact the church office.

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES will be available beginning December 19th, 2020. Envelopes will be placed alphabetically on tables under the balcony in the back of the sanctuary. Please grab your box on the way out of service. **If you will not be in church and need your envelopes mailed, please contact the church office.**

*As always, e-Giving is a no-cost way of ensuring your offerings are received on a weekly basis. For online giving, go to <https://www.trinityhuntley.org/give-church>. To pay via app on your smartphone, download GivePlus from your app store. **Thank you for your tithes and offerings!***

TRINITY'S ANNUAL FINANCIAL REVIEW is posted on the whiteboard in the narthex.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will be online via Zoom. For more information and the Zoom link, see the Weekly News email or contact the church office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL take home packets will be available every weekend. Be sure to pick up a new packet each week! This is a great way to keep your child in God's Word until we are able to meet in person once again.

THRIVENT ACTION TEAMS are needed for Winter activities for TLC Preschool, Sunday School, and the Youth Group. Each Thrivent member has access to two Action Teams per calendar year. Each team has seed money of up to \$250.00 that can greatly offset costs for special events like Preschool Open House and National Lutheran Schools Week. For more information call Chrissy Heiss at 847-669-5781 x2.

Virtual Scholastic Book Fair

for your Cyber shopping now through DEC. 10th

<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/tlcpreschool>



WORSHIP PROTOCOLS

- If you are sick—especially with a fever or cough—please stay home. This is extraordinarily important!
- Please wear a mask at all times—for the sake of others.
- Keep a physical distance from others of at least six feet at all times.
- Please use hand sanitizer as you enter Trinity.
- The preschool entrance to the church will remain locked. Please enter in the main back door, pick up a bulletin, and proceed directly to your seat in the sanctuary when you arrive.
- The rest of the church building will be blocked off, including the coat rack. With our spacing, there is plenty of room in the pews for coats. Avoid the bathrooms if possible, though they are open if necessary.
- Every other pew will be roped off. If a pew is roped off, please do not sit in it. Overflow seating will be available under the balcony or in the narthex, if necessary.
- Two windows on each side of the sanctuary will remain cracked open during the worship services to allow for better ventilation.
- Our services will be shortened. Our communion distribution will remain in its altered format.
- Place your offering in the plate at the back of the sanctuary.
- After service, remain seated, and an elder/usher will dismiss the church from the back to front of the sanctuary. We strongly recommend you exit the building directly.
- Please take your worship bulletin home with you. Do not place your used bulletin on the stack of new bulletins as you leave.
- If you want to visit with others, please do so outside, not in the sanctuary or narthex. I know this is difficult, especially as the weather grows cold. But this is one of the most important precautions we can take.

Poinsettias



If you would like to place a Poinsettia plant at the Altar for the Christmas season, please fill out the form below and drop off in the box in the narthex or the church office. The cost is \$8 each. Names will be printed in the Christmas and Sunday bulletins. Orders will NOT be accepted after

December 13th. The Altar Guild has made arrangements for the plants to be delivered to the church. The plants may be picked up after the 10:00 am worship service Christmas Day morning.

I/we _____

wish to place ___ Poinsettia(s) at the church altar for the Christmas season.

In memory or honor of(circle one) _____

Amount enclosed\$ _____

